

# THE MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE.

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## 36th MILE STONE

Mr. JOSEPH CAMPBELL, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Harboursville, was very pleasantly remembered last Saturday by most of his children who called upon him during the day and presented him with tokens of affection. The occasion being the 86th anniversary of his birth.

His estimable wife and companion for more than 60 years, had not been unmindful of the event and had prepared some choice cakes, pastery, etc. in that delicious way that makes them so delicious to the taste. These were served and the day spent in a very pleasant manner.

Mr. Campbell is as hale and hearty as many would be at 25 years his junior, and unless the weather is extremely severe looks after his farm and stock very much as he did while in his prime.

We wish for him the happy return of many more anniversaries and trust that he and his most estimable companion may be spared yet many more years to enjoy the companionship of each other and the mingling of friends and relatives.

## Agriculture in Public Schools

The following bill has been introduced in the Legislature by Senator Wyatt of Logan county.

1. That the course of instruction given in the public school of this Commonwealth shall embrace the subject of the elements of agriculture, and that the same be taught as thoroughly as the other required subjects in the public school curriculum.

2. That the same general requirement for the teaching of the other branches of the public schools of this Commonwealth shall apply in the teaching of the elements of agriculture and the same shall be one of the required subjects; but no teacher shall be required to stand an examination in this subject until the year 1911.

3. Suitable books for instruction in agriculture shall be provided for by the State Board of Education and this act shall take effect and be in full force at the beginning of the school year, 1910.

## FLOODS IN EUROPE

### In Past Centuries.

- 1161—Thousands drowned in Sicily.
- 1173—Zuyder Zee enlarged by floods.
- 1219—Nordland, Norway, lake burst, 30,000 perished.
- 1228—Friesland, 100,000 drowned by sea.
- 1446—Holland, 72 villages inundated, 100,000 drowned.
- 1493—The "great waters" caused by the overflow of the Severn.
- 1521—Holland, 100,000 lives lost.
- 1530—Holland, dikes break, 400,000 drowned.
- 1570—Holland, 20,000 perish in Friesland.
- 1616—Greatest flood ever recorded in Paris.
- 1646—Holland, 110,000 perish.
- 1802—Great flood in Paris.
- 1813—Austria, Hungary and Poland, 10,000 perish.
- 1828—Jutland made an island by inundation of sea.
- 1840—France, overflow of Seine and Rhone swept away many villages.
- 1846—Disastrous inundation in the center, west and southwest of France.
- 1852—Floods in Europe from Belgium to Switzerland.
- 1856—South of France, damaged \$25,000,000.
- 1866—Great flood in France.
- 1875—Large part of Toulouse destroyed by the rising of the Garonne, 1,000 lives lost.
- 1876—Great flood in France and Holland.
- 1910—Last week in Jan., second greatest flood in Paris; other inundations in the south of Europe.

—[Louisville Times,



## JUDGE WILLIAM LEWIS, FOR GOVERNOR.

Bro. George Jarvis, Editor of the Clay County Clarion, published at Manchester, has struck the key note when he presents the name of Judge William Lewis for Governor of our State.

There is not a man in Kentucky who would poll a larger vote in the mountains than would Judge Lewis, and should the State Convention in its wisdom, decide to select a mountain man to head the ticket, we feel confident that the unanimous verdict would be William Lewis.

Judge Lewis is making an enviable record as a Circuit Judge, and while he does not seek any higher honors at the present time at the hands of his friends, but is perfectly contented to serve in the capacity which the people placed him by such an overwhelming majority, yet if he should be called to lead the grand old party to victory in 1911, we believe that he would do so as gracefully as any man in Kentucky and when elected would fill the position as Governor creditably to himself and entirely satisfactory to the entire people of our State.

From the Clarion we clip the following:—

### WM. LEWIS FOR GOVERNOR.

While the gubernatorial campaign is more than a year in the future, several papers, of both political parties, are "homing" their respective candidate for Governor.

Now, the Clarion realizes that it is a small potato in the political garden, but we can nevertheless see that the Mountain Section of Kentucky, is the backbone of the Republican party, and the "tail end" when it comes to party recognition. As to O'Kear, Franks, Bruner or Cox they are men of whom the party does, with good reason, feel proud but should either of them be the standard bearer of the party in 1911 they would look to the mountains for election, and then why not let the mountains come in for their share of honor.

While we can say, with pardonable pride, that we have many sons of this rugged section who would do ample grace to the Governor's chair there seems none so well fitted in every respect, as the Hon. Wm. Lewis, Judge of the 27th Judicial District. Born in Leslie county, the banner Republican county of Kentucky, filling the office of Sheriff and County Superintendent, a Representative in the Legislature during the stormy days of 1899-1909, making the best Commonwealth's Attorney this district has ever had, and now satisfying everybody by his wise, impartial decisions as Circuit Judge, he stands best equipped of any Repub-

lican in Kentucky to carry the party to victory.

He has been before the public since 1890, and has never yet been defeated. Why? Because he makes friends wherever he goes, and his official record is always above suspicion or reproach.

If we hope to be victorious in 1911, a man like Lewis must be on the ballot—a mountain man.—Clay County Clarion.

## Ground Hog Day.

There are many old rhymes and traditions upon which weather prophecies have been based, but none are more widely circulated than those regarding the 2d day of February, which in "Ye olden time" was known as Candlemas day and was celebrated with a special church service to which each worshiper contributes a candle.

"Candlemas day, Candlemas day, Half our wood and half our hay," is a well known couplet which indicated to the ancient British yeoman that the winter was half spent.

"If Candlemas day be fair and bright, Winter will take another flight; But if Candlemas day bring cold and rain, Winter is gone and won't come again."

is another version of the same old theory.

The introduction of the ground

hog into the traditions surround the 2d day of February is an American innovation, and is said to have originated with the Negro superstitions of "Ole Virginny."

According to their stories, the ground hog wakes up from a long sleep and comes out on the 2d day of February to see if the winter is over. If the day is clear and bright so that the sun throws a shadow on the snow the ground hog takes flight and returns to his hole for six weeks more. If it is a cloudy day, however, he remains out over night and as a consequence warm weather commences immediately and the farmers prepare for an early spring.

"If Ground Hog comes out for to see the day,

Mr. Sun shows his shadow and sneers 'im away,

Brer Ground Hog, he trots 'long back to his hole

An' for six whole weeks more it am goin' to be cold."

is the verified rendition of this old Negro tradition.

## STAVE MILL BURNED.

A special to The Louisville Times, of Jan. 31, from Pineville says: "The stave mill of T. J. Asher & Sons, at Millrice, this county, was destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon. The loss is said to be entirely covered by insurance."

## MARCH 30, DATE

### Fixed For Execution of James White, The Negro Rapist, by Judge Hardin.

Judge Hardin has fixed March 30th as the day for the hanging of James White, the negro, who criminally assaulted little nine year old Mossie Woodward, of Middlesboro, last July. The hanging will take place in the jail yard on the above date unless the Governor commutes the sentence. Robt. Vanhever, the Sheriff, or one of his deputies, will have to do the painful duty of springing the death trap that will send the soul of the unfortunate negro boy into the unknown eternity from which no traveler ever returns. When we get down to the plain and sad proposition of taking human life, we think that it would be an unpleasant job for the officials to perform.

## POVERTY SOSHUL

### Air Gwine Ter be Held and Doods and Doodesses will be Exklooded.

A "Poverty Soshul" will be given by the members of the Lida Powell Missionary Society, of the First Christian church, Fourth and Walnut streets, on the evening of February 3rd. The invitations, which are rather unique, read as follows:

"The Lida Powell Missionary Society xes you to kum to de First Christian Church, Fourth an' Walnut Sts., at urly kanel lyon on February 3rd, 1910.

"Kum in yo' rags, kum in yo' tags, but not in a velvet gown, or you will be fined the usual sum. Read de program and nil kum."

Rewls and Regulations:

1—Every woman dat kums must wear a poverty dress and apen or somethin' ekeky appropriate, and leave her poodle dot at hoam.

2—Knoe gents wid bilt shirts and dood collers will be allowed to kum, unless he pays a fine of five cents.

3—A kompetent kommity will interduce strangers and look after bashful females."

The society wishes to add that all those who did not receive invitations will come anyway. The proceeds of the social will be used for missionary work.

## Cost of Religion Is Also Growing Dearer.

Special to The Louisville Times, from Chicago, Jan. 31, says:—The price of Bibles will go up on March 1st, according to announcement by a large Bible publishing house, which has branches in Cincinnati, Kansas City and San Francisco. The cause for the advance is the enforcement of the new tariff on imported leather and paper.

"Bibles are now about 20% higher than they have ever been before," said a member of the firm. "The materials for the best Bibles have gone up so high in price on account of the tariff that we cannot afford to continue to sell out output at prices now listed."

## REDUCTION IN TAPS

As a special inducement to patrons wanting to take water, the water company will make taps until June 1st, 1910 at \$7.50.

## Baptist Revival Closed.

The protracted meeting which has been in progress for two weeks past at the Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. J. P. Jenkins, of Louisville, assisted by the pastor, Rev. L. B. Arvin, closed last Sunday night. The meeting was a very successful one.

## HOT AIR--THANKS.

We have received almost all kinds of communications during our experience at the editor's desk, but we have never received a larger dish of "Hot Air" all in one batch than in a letter received this week which is as follows:

January Thirty-one, Nineteen and Ten.  
Editor Advocate,  
Barboursville, Ky.

Dear Sir:—  
Some time ago you printed a very insulting article which said there are people who owe you money for subscriptions, who know you need the money and yet don't pay. If you mean me, I want to differ from you.

I owe you money all right, but I did not know you needed it. I thought you would like to leave the money with me for awhile for safe keeping. In fact, I have been under the impression that editors do not need money; that they live on wind, and are, therefore, very glad for subscribers to owe them, so there will be enough "coming" when they die to bury them. However, if you are willing to take chances on a decent burial and feel that you can use the money now, I am willing to settle the controversy by enclosing you herewith remittance for another dollar's worth of the Advocate.

I warn you, however, if you ever print another piece like that referred to, I will pay in advance and then, darn you, you can't complain!

Yours very truly,  
After we had read the letter, we smiled to think that one at least had taken the hint from the article we had published and had remitted that much needed dollar, but we began to look for the "remittance" and searched the envelope inside and outside, turned the letter upside down, wrong side out and hunted every nook and corner for the "remittance" but behold, it was not there.

Finally it dawned upon us that as the writer had thought we did not need money, he would give us a dish of "Hot Air" under the caption of "remittance for another dollar's worth of the Advocate."

However, we publicly acknowledge the receipt of the hot air, but would be glad also to acknowledge receipt of cash from many who have permitted themselves to become delinquent upon our subscription book. Don't be backward about sending cash. We will take time to receive it any time and thank you too.

## ADDRESS

Announcement has been made that Dr. Keffler, of the University of Tennessee, will deliver the second of the B. Y. P. U. lectures at the Baptist Church, Saturday evening, Feb. 5th. His subject will be: "The Effect of Education upon the Community and the Individual."

Dr. Keffler is a very entertaining as well as a very able speaker, being especially noted for his humorous philosophy and common sense talks. We hope that he will have a large audience and we feel sure that all who hear him will go away feeling that the hour had been well spent.

There will be no charges for admission and all are most cordially invited to attend.

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## REPORT

Of the Condition of the First National Bank at Barboursville in the State of Kentucky, at the close of business, Jan. 31, 1910.

No. 6262.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$103,709.71
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....	717.23
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.....	15,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds.....	500.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures.....	6,500.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)....	2,004.65
Due from approved reserve agents.....	28,437.20
Checks and other cash items.....	29.87
Exchanges for Clearance House.....	16.70
Notes of other National Banks.....	1,160.00
Fractional, paper currency, nickles, and cents.....	298.14
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVED IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie.....	9,097.70
Legal-tender notes.....	500.00

Total.....	9,597.70
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation).....	750.00
Total.....	168,721.20
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.....	25,000.00
Surplus fund.....	14,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	2,481.89
National bank notes outstanding.....	15,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check.....	107,834.11
Time certificates of deposit.....	4,008.00
Cashier's Checks outstanding.....	297.20
Total.....	168,721.20

STATE OF KENTUCKY, ss.

COUNTY OF KNOX, ss.  
I, Robert W. Cole, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ROBERT W. COLE, Cashier.

CORRECT-Attest:  
SAM. BENNETT,  
J. M. ROBINSON,  
P. D. SAMSONS, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of Feb. 1910.  
Jas. M. Wilson, Notary Public.  
My commission expires Feb. 15, 1912.

## HALLEY'S COMET VISIBLE

If you will scan the southern heavens, near the horizon, say from six to eight o'clock on a clear evening, you can see with the naked eye the long-haired Halley's comet. It isn't as yet very distinct, but is rapidly growing brighter, and by the fifth day of May will present itself in a way to excite your wonder and admiration. Take a good look at it, for you won't be here to see it when it next visits that sublunary sphere.

## NOTICE.

I now have a telephone at my residence on Indian creek, where I can be reached by any person desiring to communicate with me, and when I am not in my office in town, call me over the local phone and I will try to accommodate all who call upon me.

I have a part of the records at my residence in order to familiarize myself with same, and remainder are in the office of Court house.

I am ready and willing to be public at any or in my official capacity.  
R

W. A. CAP.







